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Thrilling Scenes at Attempted Rescue of People on Stranded Steamer.

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Life Boat Capsizes in Attempting to Reach the Wreck.

Marseilles, Jan. 9.—Every effort was put forward to-day to rescue the passengers and crew of the French mail steamer *Russie*, which went ashore on Monday night.

When night fell yesterday, quite a number of the crew and passengers were seen clinging to the fore-rigging and deck-rails, making despairing signals for succor, which those ashore were powerless to afford. The gale increased in fury all night long, and though a flickering light was perceived from time to time, apparently waved by those on board to attract attention, it was feared the steamer would either break or disappear in the shifting sands by morning. A thousand persons waited along the shore, and the fishermen prepared to launch a boat at the first sign of the abatement of the hurricane. When day broke it was a great relief for the watchers ashore to find that the bow and other pieces of the fore part of the ship were still above water. The stern had completely vanished. A group of men huddled on the steamer's bow renewed their appeals for help. As the day wore on more persons appeared on the deck, forming three groups—one at the bow, another on the bridge and a third around the funnel.

Thus it was seen that most of the crew and passengers, numbering 102 according to a corrected list, were still living. A signal message was received at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, saying that up to that time no one had perished. The *Russie* lay with her deck facing seaward and the seas, which had broken her hatchways, had filled the holds and cabins with water.

Every possible expedient was tried from the shore to save the sufferers. The coast guardsmen and fishermen manned life-boats and made several ineffectual attempts to reach the steamer, which was being shifted by the incessant pounding of the seas a trifle nearer the shore.

One life-boat got half way out and was capsized. Its crew swam back and were dragged out of the water by the people ashore, who formed a line with hands joined and waded breast-deep into the water in order to save them.

A tug approached as near as possible to the wreck and then flew a kite to which a life-line was attached in the direction of the ship, but it failed to reach the stranded vessel. Floats were also sent out from the beach with lines, but in no case did they succeed in reaching the steamer. The tugs, which made repeated attempts to approach the vessel, were themselves menaced with disaster and obliged to relinquish the attempts.

Late in the afternoon another expedition was tried—that of launching a raft with a life-line from a tug lying off the wreck. The result of this attempt to reach the endangered crew and passengers of the *Russie* is not yet known. The most hopeful news was received late this afternoon, that the gale was subsiding.

Harrowing scenes were witnessed at the office of the steamship company here, outside of which were gathered the wives and children and other relatives of the crew, who mostly lay from Marseilles.

A message posted at 3:30 p.m. says that up to that time all on board the *Russie* were alive, and it evoked a pathetic expression of joy.

Shortly after 2 o'clock, during a lull, the men on shore succeeded in getting a life-line to the *Russie*, but it snapped as it was being pulled on board. Other similar attempts failed, but a more hopeful feeling prevails, in view of indications that the weather is clearing.

A message from the *Russie* says: "The passengers are kept below, but all the crew are at their posts, and the captain and officers are lashed to the bridge. The seamen tried to construct several rafts, but as they neared completion they were washed away."

The sinking of the stern in the sand seems to have been a lucky thing for those on board, as the bow of the mail boat is tilted high above all save the biggest waves and affords a refuge. Otherwise it is believed all would have long since perished.

The cruiser *Galilee* and a tug with rocket apparatus left Toulon yesterday evening to attempt a rescue.

The passengers are chiefly colonial functionaries and soldiers.

LATER.

The latest information as to the *Russie* indicates that the situation has not been modified, but the outlook is distinctly hopeful. The weather continues calm, and the vessels which are going to the assistance of the mail boat from Toulon will shortly be in sight of Cape Faraman.

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PREMIER DUNSMUIR.
Intimates That Provincial Legislature Will Open in February.

Winnipeg, Jan. 9.—(Special)—Premier Dunsmuir, Attorney-General Eberts and party, were here to-day, en route to Ottawa to confer with the federal ministers. Mr. Dunsmuir, in an interview, intimated that the British Columbia legislature would meet for despatch of business about the 15th of February.

FRISIA IN DISTRESS.
German Steamer Disabled and Making For Queenstown.

Queenstown, Jan. 9.—The German steamer *Friska*, Capt. Schmidt, which sailed from Hamburg on December 29, for Boston, is heading for Queenstown. A despatch from Eastnet announces she is in a disabled condition and under reduced steam. Two tugs have gone to her assistance.

IMMIGRATION ACT.
How the Provincial Act Is Viewed in Ottawa.

Ottawa, Jan. 9.—Some concern is expressed here at the fact that the province of British Columbia has re-enacted and brought into force provisions of the Natal Act, which practically excludes any Chinaman who cannot make a written declaration in at least one European language. The Dominion law permits admission to Chinamen on payment of the poll tax of \$100, and it is felt that unless the province modifies its regulations or withdraws from her position, there is danger of a serious clash. It is likely that the attention of Premier Dunsmuir will be called to it when he comes to Ottawa in a few days.

MANUAL TRAINING.
Lord and Lady Minto Open Macdonald School in Brockville.

Brockville, Ont., Jan. 9.—Lord and Lady Minto visited Brockville to-day and opened the Macdonald manual training school. They were given a great reception.

The Dominion Public Accounts
Blue Book Just Issued Covering Financial Operations of Last Year.

Men Volunteering for South Africa May Attest in Canada.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, Jan. 9.—The public accounts blue books, covering the financial operations of the year ended June 30 last, has just been issued from the government press. It shows a surplus of \$8,000,000 of revenue over the consolidated fund expenditure. Deducting from this the expenditure on capital account and allowing for sinking fund and interest, there is left a balance to the good of about \$700,000, to be deducted from the public debt.

The militia department has received from the war office the terms of enlistment for service in the South African constabulary. The rates of pay are practically as have been stated, but it has been conceded that men joining here may attest in Canada instead of in Capetown.

The terms of enlistment in South African police will be published to-morrow by the militia department. The rates of pay are as follows: Sergeant (warrant officer) will receive 15 shillings per day; staff sergeant, 10 shillings; sergeants, 9 shillings; second-class sergeants, 8 shillings; corporals, 7 shillings and 6 pence; first-class trooper, 7 shillings; second-class, 6 shillings, and third-class, 5 shillings.

TO ABOLISH ARMY CANTEN
United States Senate Votes to Do Away With the Institution.

Washington, Jan. 9.—The army canteen is to be abolished, as the senate to-day, by a decisive vote, concurred in the house provision relating to the army canteen. Only 15 votes could be mustered in the senate in favor of the canteen; 34 were cast against it. Most of the time to-day was occupied by Senators Teller, of Colorado, Pettigrew, of South Dakota, and Cutler, of North Carolina, who all opposed the adoption of the senate committee's amendment, which provided for a continuance of the canteen. Before disposing finally of the canteen, the senate accomplished little, and it seems doubtful whether a final vote upon the measure will be reached Friday or Saturday.

The rapid growth of the saloons in Manila was referred to by several senators, all agreeing that something should be done to restrict the traffic. Senator Lodge said that while he did not believe the canteen had done any particular harm in the Philippines, he was convinced that the saloon had done incalculable harm there. He gave notice of an amendment, prohibiting the importation of distilled liquors into the Philippines, except for medicinal purposes.

SHORT LINE.
Hundred Miles to Be Cut Off Between St. John and Quebec.

Quebec, Jan. 9.—The Quebec Central railway has purchased the Temiscouata railway, running from River de Loup to Edmundston, N.B. A connecting link is to be built between Levis and River de Loup, shortening the distance between Quebec and St. John, N. B., 120 miles.

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Landing The Men
Soldiers of Second Contingent Leave Halifax for Their Homes.

Chaplain of Mounted Rifles Receives a Testimonial From the Corps.

Section of Radical English Press Endorses Laurier as Peace Maker.

Halifax, Jan. 9.—(Special)—The Roslyn Castle docked this morning. The troops landed at noon and paraded the streets, escorted by the Third Special Service Regiment, after which they were dined by the Imperial troops. Trains left for the West at 6 and 7 p.m. Lieut. Sutton's body was removed to the naval hospital and forwarded by to-day's train for the West.

Just before the steamer put into port, the men of the Canadian Mounted Rifles waited on their chaplain, Rev. Father Sinnott, and presented him with a horse, cutter, harness and set of robes. The presentation of course did not actually take the form of these desirable things, but the funds necessary to effect the purchase, about \$400, were given him. Some of the returning officers believe disorder will continue in South Africa for a long time. Sedition is rife in Cape Colony; whether it will break out into overt acts remains to be seen.

Major Ogilvie and battery were sent to Worcester during the assembling of the Afriander convention there. The Boer sympathizers realized the battery was there virtually to overawe them, and of course felt bitter about it. With the soldiers, of course, it is not theirs to reason why, but some of the Canadians thought the policy of appearing to intimidate the convention was an ill-advised one. The men left on two special trains for the West.

Montreal, Jan. 9.—The Star's London cable says: The proposal that Sir Wilfrid Laurier should act as peacemaker in South Africa is warmly endorsed by the Manchester Guardian and a section of the Radical press. Otherwise it cites little comment, for it is felt impossible at this stage to take the question out of the hands of Sir Alfred Milner and the Imperial government. Moreover, it is urged that the Boers now in the field have only to respond to Lord Kitchener's conciliatory proclamations, to cease guerilla warfare to secure the fullest measure of equity and self-government that any mediator could secure.

London, Jan. 9.—Trooper N. Hughes, who went to South Africa with the first battalion Canadian Mounted Rifles, died of enteric fever at Capetown yesterday.

LOSES A MINISTER.
Member of New Australian Cabinet Dead.

Sydney, N. S. W., Jan. 10.—Sir James Robert Dickson, minister of defence in the new federal cabinet, died to-day.

ARMOUR'S FUNERAL.
It Was of Simple Character According to His Wishes.

Chicago, Jan. 9.—Phillip Danforth Armour, the great packer, who died on Sunday, was buried to-day. The services were of the simplest character, carrying out the expressed wishes of Mr. Armour.

FROM NAINAIMO.
Died of the Result of Injuries—Quarantine Accounts.

Nainaimo, Jan. 9.—(Special)—Frank Prudon, formerly an employee in Spencer's Arcade, Victoria, died in the city hospital to-day from burns received on December 31, at McCuskey's boarding house in London. He was a native of Washington, aged 45 years.

A special meeting of the city council last night considered accounts incurred through the smallpox quarantine. It cost the city \$2,008.70 for quarantine.

FIRES.
Merchants Burnt Out at Granby—Loss at St. Johns.

Montreal, Jan. 9.—(Special)—At Granby this morning fire destroyed the Clow block and stocks of several merchants; the loss is \$15,000, covered by insurance.

St. Johns, Que., Jan. 9.—(Special)—Fire was discovered this morning in the Canadian Baling Co.'s works, and the building will be almost a total loss. The presses and machinery are badly damaged. The loss is probably \$50,000.

Winnipeg, Jan. 9.—(Special)—At Hamiota to-day fire destroyed Marshall and Brown's livery stable, Rea & Flewelling's store, J. Breconridge's jewelry store, Scott's grocery store, Ely's butcher shop, and Hines' insurance office; total loss about \$12,000.

VON WALTERSEE'S REPORT.
Tells About the Recent Operations Against Boxers.

Berlin, Jan. 9.—The war office has received the following despatch from Gen. von Waldersee: "Pekin, Jan. 9.—The fortress of Nong, which was stormed on January 3, was the headquarters of the newly-organized hands of Boxers. Over one thousand had mobilized in the district, and they were planning to march on Yen King and Chau Ping."

Writing from Peking, under date of January 6, Count von Waldersee says: "Col. Pamel's column is marching to Tsi Ngan Fu, on the Pei-ho, to co-operate with Col. Madia's column from Yen King, seventy-two kilometres northwest of Peking."

Col. Pamel, after extremely severe marches over by-paths and through high mountains, stormed the fortifications on January 3. These were defended by ten thousands and 1,000 men. Having protected the mines, the column is returning in extended order through Yen King."

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THE SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

Three School Trustees are to be elected in the course of a few days. As a rule not very much consideration is given to this subject by the people, not nearly as much as its importance demands. Nevertheless fairly representative school boards have usually been chosen. It seems desirable at this time, however, to point out the very large powers of the School Trustees. They have absolute control of the current expenditure for schools, and the City Council has no power to interfere except in the case of extraordinary expenditures such as the building of school houses. Last year the disbursements on account of schools within the city was about \$57,000, a very large sum. There is every likelihood of its being greater this year. There is no use in discussing whether or not it is a wise provision of the law which vests the Trustees with power to decide what shall be the school expenditure for the year. That is the law, and all the City Council has to do is to be governed by it. There is, of course, no reasonable ground why the Trustees may not be as well vested with this power as any one else. They are chosen by the people, and hence may be said to be equally representative of the people with the Aldermen. It is, however, an excellent reason why their utmost care should be exercised in the choice of Trustees. Especially is care needed this year, for the reason that new school houses are called for. There is a very general demand that something shall be done to curtail in some measure the cost of the school system, or, if this cannot be done, to avoid needless expense in future. We do not say that extravagance has been practised. We are inclined to think reasonable economy has prevailed. What we have in mind is the constant pressure from well-meaning, but, we think, ill-advised quarters, for expenditures which do not seem to have been contemplated by the public school system as originally established. Progress in educational matters, as in everything else, must be expected, but every additional expenditure does not indicate progress. Some of the expenditures indulged in in some cities are really excrescences upon the system, and Victoria ought to avoid them. It is not necessary in a public school to try to cover everything. Let us be liberal, but not prodigal.

THE PROGRESS OF CANADA.

The people of the United States congratulate themselves that the population of that country has increased nearly fifteen-fold since the beginning of the last century. It is certainly very remarkable, and to many people it may be news to learn that the population of Canada has gained even more rapidly. The progress in territorial expansion in the United States has been a little over ten-fold; that of Canada must have been fifteen-fold. The United States had a commerce at the beginning of the Century. Canada had none; yet the commerce of Canada has reached the magnificent total of over \$320,000,000. Canada, and in using that term we mean the British North American provinces, had no mercantile marine; now our place is well up in the list of nations. We think we have the fifth rank as a ship-owning country. Then we were only a much-divided collection of isolated settlements, none of them caring anything about the other. Now we are a nation extending from ocean to ocean, and looking forward to still more wonderful development. Our neighbors may justly feel proud of their progress, but Canadians on their part have no reason to feel ashamed. The provinces had no public credit in 1801, and their people individually were for the most part poor. Now our standing as a country is among that of the greatest nations, and our

private financial institutions and our commercial communities rank among the best. That we have accomplished so much, although situated side by side with such a progressive and aggressive country as the United States, speaks volumes for Canada and its people. By very much the greater part of our progress in everything else except population, and proportionately the greater part of that, has taken place since 1867, when the confederation of the original provinces of Canada was consummated. We think that if any people in the world may look forward to the future with confidence engendered by the events of the past, Canadians have a right to do so.

THE IMMIGRATION LAW.

The arrest of an in-coming Chinaman for violation of the provincial law, which came into force on January 1, will undoubtedly lead to a determination of the legal question involved in the Act. The court will, we suppose, be immediately called upon to determine whether or not such an enactment is within the powers of the local legislature. This renders it inadvisable for the papers to debate the question, and to confine themselves simply to chronicling the facts.

The proper way to dispose of the Immigration Act, which came into force on Tuesday in this province, is not by disallowance, but by the judgment of the courts. If the act is constitutional, it should stand—that is, the federal government ought not to think of interfering. If it is not constitutional, then let the fact be known, and the legislature will dismiss the subject from its consideration. So long as an enactment is made the subject of disallowance, so long will it be an open question, and legislature after legislature will be called upon to deal with it.

It is certainly undesirable that a law of doubtful constitutionality should be carried into effect except pro forma. The intention of the legislature, as expressed by the mover of the bill cuts no figure. The courts can only judge of this intent by reading the language of the act, and this is very comprehensive. We repeat, that we should not like to see a question of this nature dealt with by disallowance. Let it be ascertained where the province stands in regard to legislation of this nature. If we must rely upon the federal parliament alone for any remedy against undesirable immigration, let the fact be made known at the earliest possible day. If the province has the right to deal with the question, it cannot be known too soon. We are not so much concerned as to what the Dominion government for the time being may permit the province to do, as with what it has an unquestioned right to do under the constitution.

English has been made a compulsory subject in the schools of Germany by imperial decree. By the end of the present century the German people will be speaking English.

Will the Times take the first convenient day and explain its editorial paragraph about the annual report of the Chief of Police and the detectives? We are unable to make out its meaning.

There is some talk of establishing a daily paper in Nanaimo in the interests of the Labor Party. The effort is something new, and experienced newspaper men will watch it with a great deal of interest. As a general proposition, papers started with any other object than commercial ones are not likely to prove a success. A venture in such a field as Nanaimo may prove an exception.

There will be universal regret because of the distress that has come upon the Marquis of Dufferin, by reason of the failure of the London & Globe Finance Corporation. It seems a great pity that his declining years should be clouded with such a misfortune. Whittaker Wright announces that the company will soon be on its feet again. All things are possible in finance, and so this may be.

It is stated that the Emperor of China is to return to Peking and set up the reform government. It is also alleged that the Dowager Empress offers no objection to this course. The reform party has increased very greatly in strength of late, and doubtless it is able to support the Emperor in any stand he may take. He must think so, and so must the Empress Dowager, or he would not be returning to the capital.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier thinks there are too few lawyers in parliament. If he could be persuaded to run an election on that issue, he would be turned down in short order. Nevertheless, there is much in what he says. In all countries where representative government obtains, the legal fraternity has played a part of vast importance. The services of lawyers in parliament cannot be dispensed with, and it is easy to have too few of them. The trouble about the matter is that few of the best lawyers can afford to go to parliament, and no one wants the poor ones there.

The references by the Times to Mr. Turner do not call for any comment, except its statement that Mr. Turner is a discredited politician. There has never been an occasion on which Mr. Turner has been endorsed. Since his dismissal by Lieutenant-Governor McInnes he has been twice a candidate, and on both occasions was returned triumphantly. Under such circumstances, he need not concern himself about what the Times says. Our contemporary sarcastically admits, in a sentence half a column long, that it is prepared to concede all the Colonist has claimed for Mr. Turner and a great deal more. It has taken refuge in sarcasm for the simple reason that it has no other recourse left.

Royal Bank of Canada.

The Montreal Gazette of December 29, contained the following:

"The Royal Bank of Canada," the name which is so soon to succeed that of the Merchants' Bank of Halifax, will take its place in the financial world on the morning of Wednesday, the second of January next. The name which has been selected by the directors and ratified by the parliament of Canada, is one quite in keeping with the importance of the institution which has made such rapid progress in the race for financial pre-eminence. But it is the name of the institution only that is changed, for the identity of the bank remains the same as when those solid Nova Scotia business men secured its charter thirty-one years ago. On the 2nd of January, 1901, the customers of the bank in question will find that all traces of the old name, honored by Canadian banking circles though it may have been, have disappeared, and on the stationery, in the windows, in the ledgers, and on the crisp new notes will appear the more national title of "The Royal Bank of Canada." The new notes of the "The Royal" will be of the usual denominations of \$5, \$10, \$20, \$50 and \$100, and their design is of the most artistic character. The artist and the printer have succeeded in producing a note for the Royal Bank of Canada that renders the successful issue of spurious notes by photography quite impossible. The green and yellow colors, so common on old bills, and so easily reproduced by clever photography, have been discarded, and replaced by colors so sensitive and delicate in their nature that the best attempt at counterfeiting will certainly divulge the fraud. The notes which the Royal Bank of Canada will put in circulation on the second day of the new year resemble a French or Brazilian bill, rather than any bank paper yet issued in this country. The charter of "The Royal" was secured in 1869, the first directors being William Charrar, James B. Duffus, T. Chalmers, Thos. E. Kenny, Michael Dwyer, and J. Smith. Mr. Kenny was the first president, and being succeeded on the 25th of June, 1870, by Mr. Thos. E. Kenny, the named gentleman, has been president ever since.

The present board of directors consists of Thos. E. Kenny, president; Thos. Ritchie, vice-president; Hon. David Macdonald, J. W. Smith and H. G. Bauld, with two seats vacant, caused by the death of Mr. Michael Dwyer, of the well known firm of John Tobin & Co., and Hon. H. H. Fuller, M.L.C., also of the Nova Scotia capital. The beginning of the bank was comparatively small, but it grew up with the province in which it was located, and having overstepped the boundaries of that little, but wealthy province, "The Royal," with its present paid up capital of \$2,000,000, surplus of \$1,700,000, and its 41 branches, now stands abreast of the leading institutions of old Canada. In 1887, the bank opened a branch in Montreal under the management of Mr. E. L. Peace, who, after a most successful career, became joint general manager in 1899, and on the 1st of January, 1900, was appointed general manager of the entire bank. The banking fraternity also speak in the most eulogistic terms of the Royal's new local manager, Mr. C. S. Hoare, who brings to the bank all that valuable experience gained during his seventeen or eighteen years successful management of the Imperial Bank at Winnipeg. Mr. in the prime of life, is an able and prudent banker, and those who know declare that he will be pre-eminently the right man in the right place. The following figures will show the rapid growth of the bank:

	Dec. 31, 1870.	Dec. 31, 1880.	Dec. 31, 1890.	Dec. 31, 1899.
Cap.	200,000	900,000	1,700,000	1,987,070
Res.	20,000	180,000	375,000	1,700,000
Dep.	288,251	1,232,302	3,277,005	11,324,500
Loans	409,523	2,064,455	4,462,761	11,873,480
Div.	93,920	470,199	906,192	1,853,990

As stated above, the capital has now reached \$2,000,000. The dividend is 7 per cent. per annum, and the last sale of stock was at 180.

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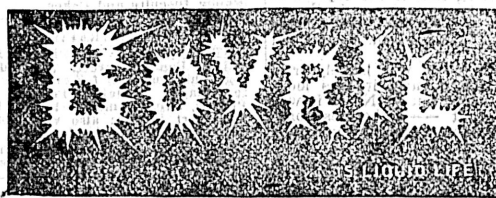
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18 were \$ 5 75.....	\$3 90	27 were \$17 50.....	\$9 75
10 were 6 75.....	3 90	17 were 20 00.....	9 75
39 were 8 75.....	5 90	7 were 25 00.....	9 75
47 were 10 00.....	5 90	3 were 30 00.....	9 75
23 were 13 00.....	6 90	2 were 35 00.....	9 75
35 were 15 00.....	9 75		

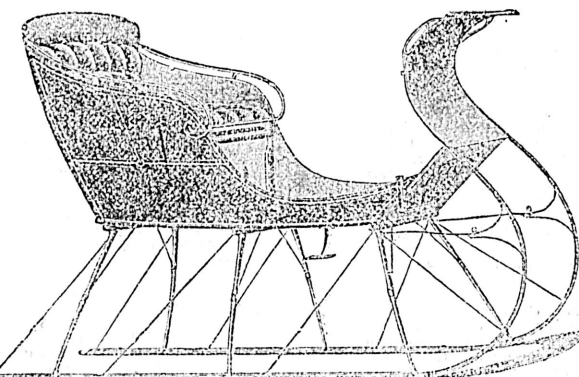
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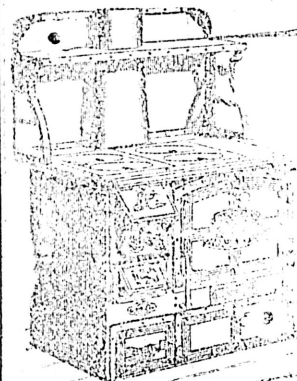
	Sale Price.		Sale Price.
6 were \$2 25.....	\$1 50	6 were \$4 25.....	\$3 50
3 were 2 05.....	1 75	5 were 5 00.....	3 50
3 were 3 15.....	2 50	6 were 6 00.....	4 50
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AUCTION SALES.—All Advertisements for Auction Sales will be found on Page 8.

A Correction.—The amount to be distributed among the Indian fur sealers for illegal seizure is \$14,000, not \$1,400 as printed yesterday.

Over Atlin Claims.—In the Supreme court yesterday, before Mr. Justice Martin, argument was continued in the case of Partridge vs. Hamilton, arising out of a dispute over the ownership of certain claims in the Atlin district.

Colin Gilchrist Dead.—Colin Alex. Gilchrist died on Tuesday, at the family residence. He was the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. F. Gilchrist, of this city, and was 25 years of age, and a native of Orillia, Ontario. The funeral will be held at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

The Alderman Contest.—Friends of Mr. W. H. Price, manager of Messrs. Ockell & Morris, are endeavoring to induce him to consent to stand as a candidate for alderman in North ward. It is contended that he would have an excellent chance for election and do good work in the council.

Failed to Locate It.—Detective Butler, of Vancouver, spent Tuesday in this city, on his way home from Seattle. He was looking for a lot of jewellery stolen in the Terminal City, but failed to locate any of it. The Seattle police had arrested a suspect with jewellery, but it proved to be other than the goods stolen in Vancouver.

Guard of Honor.—The provincial government has determined to adopt the suggestion that the British Columbia returned South African soldiers should be asked to act as a guard of honor to the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the legislature, and arrangements are being made to carry the idea into effect by Mr. Turner, who has the matter in hand.

Crimean Veteran.—On Tuesday evening, a pioneer of this city, William Seede, died at the residence of his son-in-law, W. Noble, 144 Oswego street. Deceased was a native of Preston, Lancashire, Eng., and leaves Mrs. Noble, a daughter, in this city, and a son in Lancashire, Eng. He was a veteran of the Crimean war, and 72 years of age. At 2 o'clock on Friday afternoon, the funeral will take place from the residence.

Elected Officers.—Victoria City band held their first annual banquet at the Bank Exchange on Tuesday evening, in honor of Bandmaster Pfendner. The band presented him with an address, coupled with a cheque, as an acknowledgment of their appreciation. Previous to this an election of officers was held, which resulted as follows: J. Rausch, conductor; A. E. Greenwood, president; S. A. Bantly, secretary; T. F. Gold, treasurer; Geo. Keown, librarian. The date for the third of the series of concerts and dances is set for Tuesday, January 22, for which special and attractive features are promised.

A Faker's Troubles.—"Dr." Leslie Day, well known to Victorians, is again in trouble—this time in Toronto. He was arraigned to the police court on the charge that he "did unlawfully pretend to exercise and use a certain kind of witchcraft, sorcery, enchantment and conjuration, and did undertake to tell fortunes." A fine of \$200 and costs or six months' imprisonment was ordered.

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Marriage

Charles E. Tisdall and Miss Edith White Unite Their Fortunes.

St. John's Church Thronged by Friends to Witness the Ceremony.

The jingle of merry wedding bells from the tower of St. John's church at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon proclaimed the celebration of a matrimonial event which has been looked forward to with pleasurable anticipation by hundreds of Victorians for some time. The nuptials of Charles E. Tisdall, ex-M. P., of Vancouver, and Miss Edith White, eldest daughter of Mr. Edward White.

The church was thronged with friends of the principals in the happy event, and appropriately decorated for the occasion with a wealth of evergreens. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Percival Jenks, rector of St. John's.

Promptly at 4 o'clock the bride, strikingly handsome in a gown of white organdie with veil, and carrying a showy bouquet, entered the church on the arm of her father, and attended by her sister, Miss Gertrude White, who was very prettily attired in a pink tulle dress, black skirt and picture hat.

The ever-popular "Wedding March" was played as the bride party approached the altar, where the groom, attended by Lieut.-Col. F. B. Gregory, was in waiting.

The interesting ceremony over and accompanying registrations made, the wedding party left the church to the strains of Schubert's "Serenade."

A reception was held afterwards at the residence of the bride's father, George road. The residence also was beautifully decorated with evergreens and noised plants. In the drawing-room was displayed a large number of beautiful and appropriate gifts to the happy pair, indicating how great is the esteem in which they are held both here and in Vancouver, the home of the groom.

The groom's present to the bride was a very handsome gold watch and chain, and to the bridesmaid a crescent of whole pearls. The wedding ring was sent from the groom's home in England, and, following an old English custom, was of gilded gold, 22 karats.

The honeymoon will be spent in California, the Waila Waila when she sailed yesterday evening bearing Mr. and Mrs. Tisdall away, accompanied by the best wishes of a host of friends.

The bride is very well known in Coast society circles, where she is the great favorite, her beauty and grace of manner and winning disposition gaining her friends on all sides.

The groom is one of the most popular and best known of British Columbia's rising merchants. For years he has conducted an extensive business in Vancouver. In Victoria also he has many friends, having spent some time here attending to his legislative duties.

On the return from San Francisco—in about three weeks—Mr. and Mrs. Tisdall will take up their residence in Vancouver.

Slight Mine Accident.—Mr. Robin Dunsmyre yesterday received information of an accident at the Alexandria mines. Mr. Alex. Pauls, the superintendent, on going down to examine the mine, set off what is known as a "small blow," with the result that he was slightly burned on the face and hands. Exaggerated rumors as to the importance of the accident were in circulation.

"Searchlight."—Only two more days of this programme, showing Moving Slide-walks and Swiss Village at the Paris Exposition; also the Bull dog and Tramp, the Devil's Contest, Steam at Sea, etc., at 62 Fort street, for ladies, children and gents. Admission 10c.

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Passengers

By Empress

Men Who Confirm Reports of Massacres by Russians on Amur River.

Doric Rescues Sailors—Transport Leelanaw in a Typhoon.

Among the passengers who arrived by the R. M. S. Empress of Japan yesterday were two Belgian journalists, Messrs. Collins and Tytgat, who have been journeying in Manchuria, through the Russian sphere of influence in North China, and on the Siberian frontier. They personally investigated the reports of atrocities and massacres committed by the Russians, who were grouped in large numbers and massacred. At one place crowds were tied together by their queues and drowned. The details of these atrocities from the pen of the travellers themselves have already appeared in these columns, having been taken from their accounts given to Japanese papers.

The other seven passengers—there were but nine in the saloon—were Rev. Fathers A. and J. Goethe, R. C. priests from St. Louis, Mo., China. They were not molested during the troublous times, although threatened on several occasions. Miss Maud Killam, an American medical missionary, who was forced to leave her station in Central China during the rising, was another passenger. Others were Chas. Helm, a prominent Yokohama man; George R. Gregg, a Winnipegger, who has been to Shanghai several times on commercial business; H. Simmins, a tourist, who, with Mr. Gregg, departed here; and Capt. P. E. Lockhart, who came from Hongkong, going home on furlough. Among the intermediate passengers were Rev. W. Moiser, of San Francisco, who has been in Hyderabad for seven years, engaged in mission work, and William Donaghy, a Vancouver man, who was interested in the salmon that was to have been taken out to Yokohama by the ill-fated steamer Alpha. He went out on the Empress of India, and on hearing of his arrival of his disaster, took passage back by the Japan.

Rev. Mr. Moiser says that the famine, which killed millions in India, was well over in Bombay province and Hyderabad when he left Bombay, but in some other districts he fears that there will be another year of famine. Great efforts have been made to till the land this year, men having been yoked to ploughs in very many instances.

There were 18 intermediate passengers in all, the others being in the steerage. There were 227 Chinese, 42 of whom, five being native born, departed here. News of several steamer accidents is brought by the Empress. She was engaged in a collision with a Japanese steamer, the Nippon Maru, while going astern to enter Nagasaki harbor, and one of her propellers was twisted. Divers were sent down to make an examination, but they reported that no damage had been sustained to the hull. The steamer Goodwin, of N. P. S. Co., went ashore at Moji while en route down to Hongkong, on December 23, and was fast for a short time. When floated, it was thought that little damage had been sustained. The overland steamer Skarpsno, which was 25 days late on her voyage from Portland to Yokohama, arrived there on December 25, 47 days from Portland. When within 200 miles of the Japan coast, she encountered a heavy storm, and was forced to coal-burning all but used up in the fight against the storm, she put back to the Bonin islands. There she obtained wood, and some coal from a Japanese steamer, in exchange for flour, and made the trip to Yokohama in three days. At Yokohama, shortly before the Empress sailed, a fire broke out on the steamer Achilles and did considerable damage.

News is given of a rescue at sea by the steamer Doric, on her voyage from San Francisco to Yokohama. On the typhoon the Japanese sailing ship Soyetsu Maru was driven out to sea and her canvases all carried away. The ship was waterlogged and was drifting directly with but two days' rations on board for her crew, when found on December 17 by the Doric, which immediately went to her rescue, took off the crew, and took them to Yokohama.

In the typhoons, which raged at the end of November, when the Yosemite was wrecked and so much shipping and so many lives lost at Hongkong, the United States transport Leelanaw was badly damaged. She arrived at Manila on November 22, and the Manila Times reports her terrible experiences with her live stock during the typhoon, as follows: "The seas washed in a continuous deluge over the vessel, and she was tossed up and down like a cork. The mules were thrown down, taking with them the stall partitions and the landing on the other mules. The teamsters made heroic attempts to rescue the fallen ones and place them on their feet, but the incessant pitching of the vessel rendered their efforts futile. They were finally compelled to give up in despair. By 12 o'clock that night not a mule was left standing, and half of them were dead. Those who saw the terrible holocaust will never forget it. Some of the mules were thrown overboard, and projecting bones sticking in their entrails; others were impaled by pieces of wooden partitions, and yet others had their eyes gouged out and necks broken. Those who were thrown down, and lying on their backs, groaning and heaving, rendered desperate by the plight of the animals, and wishing to put them out of their misery, Dr. W. L. Williamson had a piece of baling wire tied around his waist, and waited for one of the men to steady him, and then went below with a

revolver and shot them. Besides the mules, fourteen horses, private property of officers, were lost.

The Japan was fully repaired at Hongkong, new plates being put in to replace those bent and broken in her collision. Johnson, the lookout on the bark, who slipped as a seaman on the Empress, after having been so unceremoniously thrown from his former vessel on that craft, is still a member of the crew of the Empress. The voyage—the 49th homeward one of the steamer—was a fair one.

Fire-places, Furniture, Fenders, Fire-sets, Addirons, Guards, Screens, etc., in Brass and Iron, at Weiler's.

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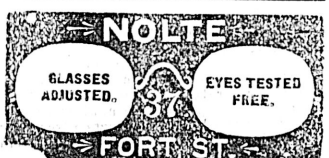
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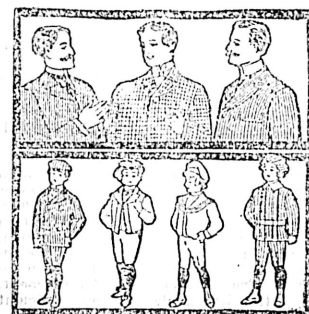
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Winding Up Their Business

Final Session of the School Board Before the Elections.

General Regret Expressed at the Retirement of Trustee McCandless.

The last meeting of the board of school trustees as at present constituted was held yesterday evening. Little business of importance was transacted. Expressions of regret at the announcement that Trustee McCandless would not present himself for re-election as a member this year were indulged in, and the chairman spoke approvingly of the conduct of the members of the board in dealing with school matters during the past year.

There were present Chairman Hall and Trustees Mrs. Gordon Grant, Mrs. Helen Grant, Drury, Brown and McCandless.

A letter from Mrs. Wheeler accepting a position on the teaching staff was received and filed. Miss Grenfell, who had been appointed to a similar position, was notified by wire to be in attendance on Monday next, having been delayed in arriving over difficulty in getting a substitute for the school at Nakusp, where she has been stationed.

The teaching staff of the Kingston street school expressed thanks for an increase in salary, and asked for repairs to stoves and for fuel. Referred to supply committee.

Applications for the position of janitor of the Hillside avenue school were received from R. A. Taylor and Miss Branson. Laid upon the table.

Trustee Brown raised the question of the too frequent dismissal of the schools by the teachers when unnecessary. The Boys' Central, the Girls' Central and the Victoria West scholars had been dismissed after assembling on the opening day. This practice was most reprehensible. It appeared that the teachers were inclined to take too many holidays. It had been alleged in defense of the practice that an opportunity was afforded by the dismissal for the children to purchase needed school books. The rules should not be broken, and he hoped the board would insist upon their enforcement. As a matter of fact, the school hours were too short—they should be at least one hour longer each day.

Trustees Drury and McCandless agreed with the remarks of Trustee Brown. The duration of the sessions at present was too short. Trustee Mrs. William Grant understood that the question of closing the schools on the opening day was a very old one.

The matter was left in the hands of Superintendent Eaton, who will notify the teachers of the opinion of the board on the question.

Trustee Brown also inquired if teachers were empowered to order scholars to purchase books other than those ordered by the department. A teacher in the Victoria West school had ordered pupils to purchase dictionaries. On motion of Trustee McCandless, the superintendent was instructed to see that the teachers were notified that the board viewed such a course with disapproval.

Trustee Drury drew the attention of the board to the necessity of something being done to the question of the proper heating and ventilating of the school rooms.

Trustee McCandless thought all teachers should be instructed to attend to the ventilating of the rooms after school hours.

The necessity of repairs to the radiators at the North Ward school was left in the hands of the buildings and grounds committee.

This exhausting the business before the board, Chairman Hall before adjournment took occasion to express his thanks for the assistance which he had received from the members of the board during the past year in the discharge of his duties. While there was a difference of opinion at times as to certain questions which came up for discussion, he was sure all were working in the interests of the schools. He felt keen regret at Trustee McCandless' retirement. The latter had made a most efficient trustee.

Trustee McCandless felt gratified to think that the board had conducted its deliberations with as much smoothness as any other civic body. Each member

of the board had worked faithfully in the interests of the schools. He was sorry that circumstances would not permit of his again being a candidate. He hoped that, with the exception of himself, the members of the old board would be returned.

Regret at Trustee McCandless' retirement was expressed by each member of the board present, and, replying to the complimentary references made to him, the latter promised to always take an active interest in school matters, and to work unceasingly for the securing of a new High school.

The board then adjourned.

Harsh purgative remedies are fast giving way to the gentle action and mild effects of Carter's Little Liver Pills. If you try them they will certainly please you.

WEEKLY WEATHER SYNOPSIS.

Victoria Meteorological Office, 2nd to 8th January, 1901.

From the commencement to the close of this week the weather has been abnormally cold, accompanied by heavy snowfalls throughout Western British Columbia. These conditions were caused by a vast high barometer area almost continuously hovering over this province and the Canadian Territories, while off the coast and across the neighboring American Pacific slope the barometer remained comparatively low. By the night of the 3rd nearly 10 inches of soft snow had fallen here, and over a foot over northern Vancouver Island, the Lower Mainland; at the same time the temperature was steadily falling due to the overcast and calm air from the coast (where 22 below zero was registered) toward the lighter region of low barometric pressure. By the 4th the heavy rain from Flatery to San Francisco, and heavy snowstorms in the mountains of Northern California which completely blocked railroad traffic for several days.

Owing to the moderating effect of the adjacent ocean waters and hovering cloud deck the temperature in the immediate vicinity of Victoria and Western Washington did not fall much below the freezing point, whereas further north and east much greater cold prevailed. The effect of this was to cause the Lower Fraser river to freeze over and prevent navigation. The continuous heavy snowfalls at New Westminster, and at Vancouver, have temporarily blocked the electric car system, and caused the collapse of several roofs.

During this week the barometer has been very high in the Territories, rising above 31 inches at 4th at Battleford, when the temperature fell to 10 below zero. The average temperature, however, from the Rockies to Manitoba, has been 20 below zero, and with the exception of considerable snow in Alberta and Montana, the weather has been generally fine. In Carleton Place the lowest temperature since the 1st of December was 40.2 on the 2nd, and the lowest was 23.0 on the 4th.

New Westminster has 3 feet 8 inches of snow, highest temperature was 41 on the 2nd, and the lowest 14 on the 8th.

Kamloops reports an inch of snow, highest temperature 26 on the 2nd, and lowest 6 below zero on the 5th.

Barkerville reports 4 inches of snow, highest temperature 18 on the 6th, and the lowest 22 below zero on the 3rd.

The following is a summary of the weather for December.

Precipitation.
Victoria 9.22 inches
New Westminster 9.40 inches
Vancouver 12.97 inches
Victoria Waterworks 5.46 inches
French Creek 8.34 inches
Polar Garry 19.79 inches
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In Victoria only 29 hours and 51 minutes of bright sunshine was recorded. The highest temperature was 54.9 on 18th; lowest 31.2 on 31st. Mean temperature for month, 45.03.

The total number of miles recorded on the anemometer was 7118 and the direction as follows: North 220, northeast 519, east 705, southeast 3136, south 256, southwest 1693, west 591, northwest 163.

Albion anemometer temperature, 46.14; highest 51.1 on 1st and 20th, lowest 22.9 on 20th.

Vancouver. Mean temperature 42.96; highest 55.5 on 7th, lowest 24.1 on 31st.

New Westminster. Mean temperature 41.1; highest 55.4 on 6th, lowest 20.0 on 21st.

Barkerville. Mean temperature 45.3; highest 55.9 on 4th and 5th, lowest 25.0 on 20th, 31st.

Garry Point. Mean temperature 41.55; highest 55.9 on 4th and 5th, lowest 25.0 on 20th, 31st.

Highest barometer 30.516 inches on December 27th.

Lowest barometer 29.698 inches on November 19th.

Highest temperature 79.6 degrees on July 31st.

Lowest temperature 17.9 degrees on February 11th.

Mean temperature for year 50.43 degrees.

The total precipitation including 4.39 inches of snow was 24.70 inches, the average for years being 34.43 inches.

At the number of miles of wind registered on the anemometer was 69,088 and the direction was as follows:

North 5774
Northeast 5917
East 5439
Southeast 5249
South 12992
Southwest 13311
West 16410
Northwest 1107

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A. N. Raby has assigned to T. Cashmore, for the benefit of creditors. The usual notice is given in another column.

The Deputy Commissioner of Lands and Works is calling for tenders for the construction of a wooden highway bridge across the Kettle river, at Columbia, B. C. Tenders will be receivable until 9th February.

R. Daniels, Garnham, P.O., offers a Jersey cow and calf for sale. See "For Sale" column.

First-class private board, with every home comfort, may be had at No. 173 Pandora avenue.

Only two more days of the present programme at the Searchlight, 62 Fort street—the Paris Exposition, showing the moving sidewalks, etc.

This afternoon at 2 o'clock, a very large assortment of toys will be sold at auction by The Cuthbert-Browne Co., Ltd., in their sale rooms, Fort street, without the slightest reserve.

Notice is given that all persons having claims against the estate of the late

Elizabeth Watkins are required to send particulars to Caroline Humphreys and Thomas Hooper, executors of the estate, at 15th of February.

The tender of a bunch of keys is requested to return them to this office.

An order for twenty-five thousand, or even fifty thousand, Havana cigars may or may not be a common occurrence, but when one hundred thousand choice smokes of the fragrant weed are included in one shipment, the fact is worthy of more than passing mention.

Included in the freight of the steamer Tees, on her present trip to Skagway, will be 20 cases of cigars consigned by Messrs. Wilson Bros., of Wharf street, to Dawson, and, needless to say, this is the record so far. These 100,000 Havannas represent some thousands of dollars, and the size of the order would go to show that Messrs. Wilson Bros. must control an exceedingly large share of the Northern trade. In this connection it will perhaps interest Victorians to know that this firm is the largest importers of Havana cigars in the Dominion, the Manager, Mr. Wollaston, having been connected with the cigar trade in Havana for some time, and can claim to be an expert in that particular line.

Capt. Ralph Smith, of 1408 Third avenue, Seattle, advertises for forty tons of freight to take to Dawson by barges from foot of Lake LeBarge, as soon as the river opens.

M. W. Vaitt & Co., the sole agents of the Steinway pianos, has a large number of that make of instruments in stock, at 44 Government street.

The enthusiasm of special bargain days has, and is to judge by the temptations encountered in the West, a regular announcement on page 5, the complaint, if complaint it is, ought to be catching. Read their advertisement and see.

Sub-divisions 4, 5 and 6, on the S.W. corner of View and School streets—as fine a building site as there is in the city—is for sale by A. W. Jones, 28 Fort street, for the price of \$1,500.

St. John's winter sales of ladies' and children's coats and jackets, and a very special attraction these days, and with the somewhat prolonged visit of Jack Frost to this erstwhile sunny clime, should bring glad hearts to all and sundry the chilly mortals of Victoria.

CUM GRANO SALIS.

The Wise Man in Massachusetts Who Revives Drowned Fishes.

Elmer E. Bailey, of Malden, Mass., according to the North American, tells of a very interesting experiment he has often tried with entire success, apropos of this recent discussion of the action of common salt upon the human body. The result of restoring heart action after it has been suspended some time. He says:

"I have taken a large horse-fly, submerged it in water and, for forty-two hours. Upon removing it, and covering it with common table salt, it gradually revived, and with some slight assistance in removing the casing of salt, which had become caked on its body, was able to fly as well as any other apparently having suffered no ill effects."

"I have taken two flies and submerged them the same length of time, and after removing them from the water put salt on one of them and none on the other. The one salted would revive and the other remain dead."

"If the same principle carried out would affect the human heart, why could it not be applied to persons when apparently dead from drowning?"

Mr. Bailey, however, does not explain how to revive flies drowned in salt water.

USE FOR MOSQUITOS.

Mr. Slade's Conviction Supported by the Experiments at Havana.

From New York Times.

That the mosquito is beneficial to mankind is the conviction of Charles M. Slade, resident broker, of 50 Worth street, this city, resident of Englewood, N. J. For thirteen years the cotton broker has been laughed at, gibed at, and bullied, and by his business friends in the city and by the unregenerate of Jersey for his belief in the mosquito's usefulness in preventing certain diseases. He feels that at last he has been vindicated.

"Yes," said he, in his office yesterday afternoon. "I consider that my theory has been fully vindicated by the report received a day or two ago from Havana that the mosquito is being used in connection with the experiments being carried on there in mosquito inoculations. I cut out the article and showed it to my friends, and told them, 'the old man has at last been vindicated.' The doctors and the mosquito men, of course, inoculations had been successful. Some of my friends long ago accepted my theory, and they have been immune each year from malaria and certain other diseases. I believe firmly in mosquito inoculation, not only for the prevention of malaria, neuralgia, rheumatism, and typhus, but as a preventive against annoyance from the bites of insects after meal from me. This is a fact."

"How did you come to originate the theory," was asked.

"I didn't originate it," was the reply. "I never did originate a thought, nor has any one else. When you think that you have a thought, you are wrong. A new thought is in the air surrounding you. Sometimes it strikes and sometimes it doesn't. If it strikes, you develop it. It was that way with me. When I was living in Montclair, N. J., in 1887, I went into the garden one day and with my body covered from the waist up with only a thin gauze undershirt. As I worked in my garden, I let the mosquitoes swarm on me, principally on my back. After they had enjoyed their feast for half an hour I went into the house. I put a spoonful of ammonia into a pint of water and rubbed the liquid over my skin. That took the sting away, and the rest of the season I was not bothered once. The next little stinger stung me, but I didn't feel it. I was inoculated."

"You see," said Mr. Slade, warming up to his subject, "the mosquito comes from swamp land where malaria prevails. Take the mosquitoes away from the swamp lands in New Jersey and malaria and typhus would kill us all off. When he bites, the effect is like, for instance, inoculation by vaccination. You get a mild form of the disease. I don't know whether you believe in God or not—that doesn't matter—but God never created anything for nothing; everything in nature has its use, and the despised mosquito, if treated with kindness and courtesy, may be useful in certain ways than doctors and men of science. I should say, 'Why? Because the lady mosquito does all the work. The bull mosquito never stings. He just sits—sits around, perches himself, and sings in his merry own way, while the lady does business on the family account.'"

"Have you any converts?"

"I have. The Jersey people are waking up."

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up. They're just finding out what a valuable disease-preventing plant they possess within the borders of their state. I'm a 'Down East' Yankee, and I went to Jersey, among other things, with the rheumatism. After I arrived I acquired neuralgia, rheumatism's first cousin. It was an early asset. One day I took a bicycle ride. I overdid it. Then came an inevitable attack of rheumatism. I went down by the side of my pond and let the mosquitoes bite my legs until they got tired—not the legs, but the mosquitoes. Then I bathed myself in ammonia and water and the rheumatism disappeared."

"If you went to Havana and yellow fever time, Mr. Slade, would you allow a mosquito to bite you?"

"Come off the perch!" he ejaculated. "Would I? Why, the first thing I would do would be to grab half a dozen more of the native product and take them to my room. Then I would turn them loose, undress, go to bed, and tell them to sail right in. After they had their sport with me I would be a yellow fever immune."

Now that the mosquito idea is beginning to spread, Jerseyites see great possibilities ahead; all except the doctors. The doctors are apprehensive. The real estate men with swamp lots see hope in the future.

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THE WEATHER.

Meteorological Office, Victoria, Jan. 9-8 p.m.
SYNOPSIS.
 The barometer remains high over the province, and is rising throughout the American Pacific slope, while off the coast it is comparatively low. Zero temperatures prevail between the ranges and in the Territories eastward to Manitoba; on the lower Mainland there are from 8 to 10 degrees of frost. Until the barometer falls over Northern British Columbia our weather is likely to remain about the same.

TEMPERATURE.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	23	33
New Westminster	24	34
Kamloops	14	2
Barkerville	20	0
Calgary	20	0
Winnipeg	20	0
Portland, Ore.	32	38
San Francisco	42	48

FORECASTS.

For 24 hours from 5 a.m. (Pacific time) Thursday.
 Light or moderate winds, mostly north-easterly and easterly, generally fair, but much change in temperature.
 Lower Mainland: Light or moderate winds, mostly easterly, generally fair, little change in temperature.

VICTORIA DAILY RECORD.
 Report for 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Observations taken daily at 5 a.m., noon and 5 p.m.
 Wednesday, Jan. 9.
 5 a.m. 27° Mean 32°
 Noon 32° Highest 33°
 5 p.m. 32° Lowest 23°
 The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:
 5 a.m. N. 4 miles.
 Noon E. 7 miles.
 5 p.m. S. 8 miles.
 Average state of weather cloudy.
 Barometer at noon 30.105
 Corrected 30.109

NEW WESTMINSTER.

Barometer at 5 p.m. 30.24

VICTORIA TIDES.

For the Month of January, 1901.

(Issued by the Tidal Survey Branch of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa.)
 The zero of the accompanying scale corresponds to the average lowest yearly tide, and 18.5 feet above the sill of the Esquimalt Dry Dock.

The time used is Pacific Standard for the 120th Meridian West. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The height is in feet and tenths of a foot.

Date.	Time.	Ht.	Time.	Ht.	Time.	Ht.	Time.	Ht.
1 Tu.	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.
2 W.	4:03	7.7	5:35	7.1	10:04	0.7	10:17	0.9
3 Th.	4:53	8.0	6:38	7.1	11:45	0.7	12:00	0.7
4 F.	5:29	8.3	7:40	7.0	13:28	0.5	20:42	0.7
5 Sa.	5:54	8.2	8:40	7.8	13:13	0.3	21:24	1.0
6 Su.	6:10	8.2	9:38	7.5	14:01	8.7	22:14	1.0
7 M.	6:28	8.4	10:30	7.2	14:51	8.7	23:42	2.0
8 Tu.	6:43	8.8	11:24	6.7	15:44	7.4	23:19	2.7
9 W.	6:57	9.2	12:10	6.3	16:42	6.7	23:55	3.0
10 Th.	7:09	9.6	12:52	5.9	17:42	6.0		
11 F.	7:20	9.9	1:27	5.4	18:47	5.3	20:03	5.5
12 Sa.	7:30	10.2	2:05	4.7	19:48	4.6		
13 Su.	7:39	10.5	2:43	3.9	20:45	4.4		
14 M.	7:47	10.8	3:22	3.0	21:38	4.1		
15 Tu.	7:55	11.0	4:02	2.1	22:27	3.8		
16 W.	8:02	11.2	4:43	1.2	23:12	3.5		
17 Th.	8:09	11.4	5:25	0.3	23:53	3.2		
18 F.	8:15	11.6	6:08	-0.6	24:30	2.9		
19 Sa.	8:21	11.8	6:52	-1.5	25:03	2.6		
20 Su.	8:26	12.0	7:38	-2.4	25:32	2.3		
21 M.	8:31	12.2	8:25	-3.3	26:00	2.0		
22 Tu.	8:36	12.4	9:13	-4.2	26:27	1.7		
23 W.	8:41	12.6	10:02	-5.1	26:53	1.4		
24 Th.	8:45	12.8	10:52	-6.0	27:18	1.1		
25 F.	8:49	13.0	11:43	-6.9	27:42	0.8		
26 Sa.	8:53	13.2	12:35	-7.8	28:05	0.5		
27 Su.	8:57	13.4	1:28	-8.7	28:27	0.2		
28 M.	9:01	13.6	2:22	-9.6	28:48	-0.1		
29 Tu.	9:05	13.8	3:17	-10.5	29:08	-0.4		
30 W.	9:09	14.0	4:13	-11.4	29:27	-0.7		
31 Th.	9:13	14.2	5:10	-12.3	29:45	-1.0		

The Cemetery.—Some inquiries have been made as to the determination of the city to arrange for the removal of the cemetery property. It appears that the land in question, adjoining the eastern boundary of the cemetery, was the property of the diocesan synod of the Church of England and given in trust to the city for cemetery purposes, providing certain improvements were made. The council now proposes to carry out its obligations.

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Friction Among Allies

Empress of Japan Brings News of Differences at Shan-Hai-Kwang.
Americans Exploit Japanese Goldfields—How Chinese Officials Fared.

News was brought by the Empress of Japan yesterday that there was much friction between some of the allied powers at Shan-hai-Kwang, which is now the principal port of North China. Since the mouth of the Pei-ho river was frozen up, the transports have been discharging cargo at Shan-hai-Kwang, where two piers were completed on December 18. The allies have agreed to open them for joint use. A late issue of the Japan Mail has accounts of friction at Shan-hai-Kwang. It says: "The work of pier construction was entrusted to a British firm, and suddenly it was abandoned, owing to instructions received from the foreign office at London. It is also reported that the British are withdrawing from the island of Ching-wan; that the French have carried away the timbers of the gold-mine, and that the Russians are preferring a demand for possession of the island. Field Marshal Waldersee's authority does not appear to be successfully exercised. If such friction continues in the field, concord in the cabinet will be difficult."

While the trouble in the south seems to have abated, it is by no means over, for the Empress brings news that over one hundred boats, all of which were "commandeered" by the Japanese, have arrived at Canton to demand wages, and many outrages are reported to have been committed by these troops. They made a determined attack on the Roman Catholic church at Lok Cheung, but were repelled with heavy loss. The priests had been warned of the impending attack, and had garrikked the church. When the Black Flags approached the converts, opened fire on them from the walls, and when their rush failed, on account of the strong fire of the Christians, the Black Flags retreated, leaving many dead and three wounded, who were afterwards publicly beheaded.

A rebellion is reported from Kansai, the Mohammedans in that province, who have long threatened rebellion, having raised the standard of revolt. The rising is said to be the result of the edict issued on December 3, ordering the degradation of Gen. Tung Fah Tsing. The Japan Times reports that Messrs. Isaac and Brother, Sale & Co., the American Trading Co., and other Yokohama merchants, have been working up the gold-mine business at the Kokuhado mines, of Northern Japan. They have brought over some American experts from California, and the result is that their business has been very profitable this year. They will resume it on a gigantic scale, says the Japan Times, and will send for a number of American experts.

A Japanese correspondent totals the silver seized and carried away by the Japanese troops at Tien-Tsin, Tungchow and Peking at no less than 33,000,000 yen, to which tangible result of the Japanese share in the military operations of the allies in China must be added 185 cannon, 100 Chinese junks and one steam tug.

News comes from Taku that the Germans have seized the Chinese steamer Irene, which took a cargo of telegraph material to repair the land lines between Peking, Tien-Tsin and Taku, on the ground that she was carrying contraband. Included in the articles received by the Empress are translations of Chinese account of the conduct of the allies at Peking and other happenings there, taken from interviews with late arrivals from the capital and printed in the native Shantung papers. Of all these, the most to impress the average Chinese is the fact that nobles and high officials, even princes of the royal line, have been compelled to perform manual labor. The bitterest reproaches are heaped upon these because they did not possess sufficient courage to destroy themselves rather than submit to such degradation—a degradation which has fallen not upon themselves alone, but upon the country. An account is given of how a former superintendent of the Imperial silk manufactures, when ordered to carry earth, laid aside his embroidered robes, rolled up his sleeves, and went to work with such vigor that his captives repented and released him. This ability to adapt himself to circumstances is looked upon as a disgrace by the native editors. An account is also given by the Tung Wen Hu Pao of how Prince I was assigned to wash clothes for the soldiers, and he was allowed no rest or recreation. After a few days he killed himself. To Ko Chia, a noble of the second rank, to which with King Kwan, fell the task of carrying dead bodies outside the city wall. The writers say they were required to make several "tens of trips" per day, and that their daily ration consisted of a single biscuit and a cup of cold water each. Having been nursed in the lap of luxury, such conditions were to them unendurable; and the vigilance of their captors relaxing, they were enabled to escape. They hurried to the residence of Li Hung Chang and tearfully related their adventures. He consoled them, but had no remedies to suggest.

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suggest. The more fortunate among the classes who escaped this dreadful punishment of being made to work, are destitute, and many mandarins have been seen by the roadside, trying to sell their official buttons. Chung Li, president of the board of punishments at Peking, before hostilities commenced, owned 3,000 suits of clothing, and after the visit of the allies, says one of the interviewed, he was forced to borrow the coat of a common soldier before being able to call and pay his respects to Li Hung Chang. Being afterwards captured by the allies, he was kept in confinement and fed on biscuits. After each meal he was made to walk for exercise, his guard leading him by the queue. The writer observes that a man who can endure such insults and not end his life must have much fortitude. To the Chinese and the points related are tragic indeed. The idea of a prince or noble bearing burdens or wielding a spade is more impressive to a thousand beggar's corpses lying by the roadside. The Shanghai Mercury, comments on the translations, says that such doings will create a wholesale fear of foreigners in numbers among the Chinese, but the intense hatred will be increased tenfold, and the interior of China will not be a suitable place for residence for isolated foreigners—particularly for women and children—for many years to come.

A Tien Tsin native paper prints accounts of a series of fires at Peking. One which occurred on the 20th of the 9th moon resulted in the destruction of 120 houses in the T'ien Menz. Another fire, on the 22nd, demolished some 90 apartments in the Hsing Shien temple. Both conflagrations were said to have been started by the foreign soldiery.

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MUNICIPALITY OF COWICHAN

Tax Payers Hold Their Annual Meeting and Discuss Public Affairs.

Cowichan, Jan. 8.—The taxpayers of North Cowichan held their annual meeting in the municipal hall, Duncan, on Saturday night last. There was a fair attendance, which spoke well for the interest taken in municipal affairs, as only a strong motive would tempt men to brave the weather we were then experiencing and travel several miles, as many of them did, to discuss public matters. There was a marked unanimity of opinion, a satisfaction with the work of the council, and a confident outlook to a still more prosperous future.

Mr. W. P. Jaynes was voted to the chair, and after a few introductory remarks, called upon the reverend Mr. J. N. Evans, who said he had no elaborate statement to make, but had noted down a few facts which might be of interest. The council over which he presided had worked conscientiously for the good of the community; being human, they had no doubt made mistakes, but he could assure them that they were no mistakes of the heart—the heart—errors of judgment, not of intention. The public must remember that the revenue was small and that it was out of their power to do much that was required. The growing needs of the district seemed to render the council an increasing burden. He went at considerable length into this subject, also into the roads and the criticisms thereon, the exceptional items of expenditure, the work of the board of health, paying tribute to the usefulness of Mr. Crozier, health inspector for Cowichan; the fire department of Duncan, for the efficiency of which great praise was due to Mr. H. Smith; the activity of the fire wardens in securing the erection of brick flues in lieu of terra cotta or other stove-pipes; pedlars on new roads, streets and sidewalks; the survey of the western boundary of the municipality, and other subjects of interest to the inhabitants. In surrendering the office, he had the satisfaction of feeling that he had honestly tried to do his duty. He thanked them for their patient hearing, and took his seat amid applause.

The treasurer, Councillor F. S. Leather, was next called upon. He read the balance sheet, comparing it with that for the previous year. There had been a large increase in the item of road tax; the amount of arrears had been considerably reduced, which spoke well for the prosperity of the district. The total collected exceeded by \$1,000 that for 1899. He had no desire to enter into the road controversy; but, with regard to increasing the revenue, one way to do this was by increasing the taxation. This district was exceptionally attractive in scenery, climate, soil, sport and character of the inhabitants. Not one man in ten thousand in the Old Country had any idea of the real conditions existing here. Mr. Cowichan was suitably advertised by means of a pamphlet, well illustrated from good photographs. He believed that hundreds, nay, thousands, would desire to make their homes here.

Councillor W. C. Duncan said that, though he was chairman of the board of health and also of the fire wardens, he himself had so effectively covered the ground in all departments that there was little left for him to say. He then took up the subject of brick chimneys, and it was caused some heart-burning, and it was suggested that the council should be authorized to issue a pamphlet, enumerating the provisions of the act, and which the village of Duncan had reason to remember with gratitude. The health of the people of the municipality was good, but he thought that at no distant date the question of bringing a water supply into Duncan would have to be faced.

Mr. A. B. Ford, the youngest councillor, next took the floor. They had much to congratulate themselves upon—a substantial increase of revenue, they had a few dollars more from the revenue, and, notwithstanding differences of opinion on minor points, all practical men would admit that their road inspector, Mr. D. Evans, had served the public in a painstaking, conscientious spirit; he had left good work behind him, and there was not a thing of which he need be ashamed. He

then went into the road question, particularly the new roads for which petitions had been received. Criticism was an excellent thing, but they must not expect impossibilities, and must remember that the revenue was small. He concluded with a tribute of praise to the reeve and his fellow-councillors, and hoped Mr. J. N. Evans would again take the head of the council board.

The road inspector, Mr. D. Evans, read a report of the work done in his department. Nearly three miles of road had been re-graded and gravelled, a considerable length of new road constructed and general repairs carried out over the seventy miles of municipal thoroughfares.

After the speeches, which had been listened to with the closest attention, an animated and very general discussion took place; as each was actuated by a desire for the good of all, differences of opinion did not lead to loss of temper. A resolution moved by Mr. A. McKinnon, seconded by Mr. W. Ford, empowering the incoming council to raise a revenue sufficient for requirements, was carried by a large majority, and a very successful meeting was brought to a close at midnight by a hearty vote of thanks to the chairman.

Mr. H. Grieve, of the Quamichan hotel, now convalescent, will leave in a few days for California, where he will spend the remainder of the winter.

A date under the patronage of the Lieutenant-Governor will be held in the Agricultural hall, Duncan, on the 10th instant, the proceeds to be devoted to the painting of the interior of the hall.

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